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Subject: SHPO Concurrence for Degassification Wells G8-G10, Canyon Fuel Company, LLC, Dugout, C/007/0039, Task ID #2280, Outgoing File

Dear Mr. Dykman:

The Division received an amendment that addresses the drilling of the G8-10 degassification wells at the Dugout Canyon Mine on July 8, 2005. This project will be added to the G1-7 wells series previously approved.

The Dugout Mine G8-10 drill project is in Carbon County, Utah, in Township 13 South and Ranges 12 and 13 East Section 24 and 20, respectively (Pine Canyon 7.5 Minute Quadrangle map).

The proposed project would not increase the permit area, but would increase the disturbed area by 4.8 acres.

The following provides pertinent information that may be useful during the consultation process. The list is not inclusive of all surveys of the area, but includes pertinent or current information:

- Class I survey (Senulis, March 2005) for the G7 and G8 drill sites. The summary showed that none of the Class III surveys was positive for historic resources near the G8 site (Section 24).
- Class III survey (Senulis, June 2005) for the proposed degas wells G9 and G10 as well as for future wells G11-G13. The results showed that there was one historic resource (42CB2435; temporary sawmill) within or adjacent to the project area. Senulis considered that 42CB2435 is in poor condition and not eligible for the NRHP.

The Division makes the determination that the G8-G10 project will have "no effect" because the drill sites are not near historic resources included in or eligible for inclusion in the NRHP. The Division requests concurrence from the

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SHPO with our determination. Final decision concerning the proposed project will come after the Division receives a response from SHPO.

The Permittee plans to start construction in early September. We would appreciate your response so we may proceed with the review process. If you have any questions about this project, please call me at (801) 538-5268 or Jerriann Ernsten at (801) 538-5214.

Sincerely,

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Permit Supervisor

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